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**FORT HOOD SOLDIER DIES IN IRAQ**

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**FORT HOOD, Texas** - Fort Hood announced the death of a Soldier who was supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Pvt. Jhanner A. Tello, 29, of Los Angeles, Calif., died Dec. 10 in Baghdad, Iraq, of injuries sustained from a non-combat related incident.

Tello joined the military in July 2005 as a helicopter repairer and was assigned to the 3rd Aviation Support Battalion, 227th Aviation Regiment, 1st Air Cavalry Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division and had been stationed at Fort Hood since November 2005.

Tello deployed in Support of Operation Iraqi Freedom October 2006 through January 2008 and April through December.

Tello's decorations and awards include the Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Army Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Combat Infantry Badge, Aviation Badge and the Driver and Mechanic Badge.

The circumstances surrounding the incident are under investigation.

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